Greetings!

KMA invites you to attend the Annual Conference Workshop presented in cooperation with the Heritage League Wednesday, October 26, 2011 9:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Rx: Healthy Collection Care Habits: Uncovering the Stories That Make Collections Meaningful to Museum Visitors
presented by: Jean Svadlenak

- Discovering Stories Within Your Collections
- Research Methods & Resources: An Overview
- Researching People: Verifying Donor Information, Family Stories
- Researching Manufactured Objects, Manufacturers, Patent Dates
- Researching Artifacts

Holiday Inn - Olathe Medical Center
101 West 151st Street, Olathe, Kansas

Questions? Contact Jean Svadlenak, Workshop coordinator, or 816-361-5639

Two Museums to Benefit from Estate Sale
June 8-11
Wichita

Kauffman Museum in North Newton and the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum were named as beneficiaries of the Ursula and Paul Metsker estate. The Metskers acquired impressive collections of antiques and collectibles, some of which will be offered to the public in an estate sale at their modest home at 2608 Sennett, Wichita on June 8-11, 9-5 daily.

Sale items include two roll-top desks, Victorian bedframe, spindle
cralle, 3-door barrister bookcase, 60-drawer card catalog, Art Deco
dental cabinet, washstands, hanging lighting fixtures, 30s-40s quilt tops,
Wedgwood Jasperware, Zane Gray novels, Barbie in original box,
Armand Marseille doll, Victrola & records, advertising items (Campbell
Kids, Morton Salt), Magic Lantern, glass negatives, fountain pens,
smoking items, watches and much, much more. Photos can be seen at:
www.estatesales.net. For more information contact Rachel
Pannabecker at Kauffman Museum (316.283.1612 or
rpannabe@bethelks.edu).

KMA South East Regional
Gathering a Success!

Several KMA colleagues gathered at
Kauffman Museum in North Newton
on May 23rd for refreshments and
conversation about exhibits and
programming on Kansas. Participants viewed the award-
winning exhibit "K is for Kan-sas" and selections of "Considering the
Commonplace: Prairie Towns through the Lens of Bob Regier."

In the afternoon, participants enjoyed a mini field trip to Flint Hills Design
to see the latest NEH on the Road traveling exhibit "Wild Land: Thomas
Cole and the Birth of American Landscape Paintings."

Visual Resources Association Grant

The Visual Resources Association Foundation is pleased
to announce that it will offer two VRAF Professional
Development Grants in 2011-2012, one to support the
advancement of an emerging professional and the other
to support the work of an established career professional.

PURPOSE
The purpose of the VRAF Professional Development grant
is to support professional development in the field of
visual resources and image management. The grant will
support attendance at an educational event of the
grantee’s choosing (such as an association conference,
symposium or workshop), or enrollment in relevant
research activities. In recognition of the differing
professional development needs for an emerging professional and an established career professional, two
awards will be funded. One grant will be awarded to a
student or new professional who has up to five years
experience in the field, and the other grant will be
designated for a career professional with six or more years
experience.
Although the specific criteria for the grant may change from year to year in order to provide support for a range of experiences and community members, with the 2011-2012 awards we encourage the VR community to consider opportunities at any visual resources-related professional development venue.

The VRAF Professional Development Grant is part of the Foundation's mission to advance awareness of critical issues for effective digital information management (including intellectual property and copyright); to encourage the application of professional standards, innovative technology, and metadata cataloging protocols; and to facilitate workplace training. The VRA Foundation supports a range of educational offerings to help ensure that such information reaches a diverse, global audience.

AWARD AMOUNT
Each of the two 2011-2012 awards will provide a grant of $850. The grant is for use between September 1, 2011 and August 31, 2012.

WHO CAN APPLY?
The grant is open to all visual resource professionals, including retirees and those currently unemployed.

The Foundation also encourages students seeking educational, training, and research opportunities in support of broad access to cultural information, to apply. Membership in the Visual Resources Association is not required. Each applicant's financial statement of need will be considered, together with other applications for funding for the same event or project, which must be disclosed by the applicant.

Award monies may be used for: transportation, registration/tuition, accommodations, meals, and approved research expenses.


DEADLINES
Monday, July 18, 2011 Applications for the 2011-2012 grants due
August 15, 2011 Award decision public announcement
Stauth Memorial Museums Quilt Exhibit Requests Loans

Stauth Memorial Museum of Montezuma, Kansas is hosting a quilt exhibit to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Kansas Statehood. The exhibit, 105 Kansas Quilts 4 Kansas 150th will be on display from July 3, 2011 thru August 14, 2011. The goal is to display one QUILT representing each of the 105 Counties of Kansas. If you have not received a request letter for your county from the Stauth Museum, please call 620-846-2527 to see how you can participate.

If you have received a request letter, please fill out the included Quilt Information Sheet and return it ASAP. If you don't have quilts as part of your collection, please pass the information on to a local quilt guild or church quilting group. We really want EVERY COUNTY to participate so act now! Time is of the essence, as July is not far off. Please call 620-846-2527 with any questions about how you can help us represent your county in this exhibit. www.stauthmemorialmuseum.org

Home on the Range: Kansas Folklore
Barton County Historical Society

Barton County Historical Society will have their monthly meeting on Monday, May 23rd at 7:30 p.m. The program will be Home on the Range: Kansas Folklore presented by Jim Hoy. The program is brought to you by the Kansas Humanities Council, a non-profit organization promoting understanding of the history and ideas that shape our lives and strengthen our sense of community.

Jim Hoy received his PhD in medieval English literature from the University of Missouri-Columbia and is a professor of English and the Director of the Center for Great Plains Studies at Emporia State University. He is an authority on the folklife of ranching, a topic on which he has lectured throughout the world. Jim's publications include 12 books and over 100 articles, and he is the co-author of Plains Folks, a syndicated newspaper column. Jim is also part of KHC's reading program, Talk about Literature in Kansas, and a charter member of the KHC Speakers Bureau, serving since 1985.

The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at the museum, just south of the Arkansas River Bridge on Highway 281. The public is invited to attend. There is no admission charge.

For further information, please call 620-793-5125 or email bchs director@gmail.com
Kansas Aviation Museum to Receive Award from Kansas Preservation Alliance

Each year, the Kansas Preservation Alliance honors the efforts of individuals and organizations that have made exemplary contributions to saving Kansas’ historic places. The Preservation Advocacy Award for Excellence acknowledges outstanding individuals, organizations, or institutions for their demonstrated commitment to the advancement of historic preservation in Kansas.

On Thursday, June 2nd at an awards dinner in Topeka, Kansas, the Kansas Aviation Museum will be recognized as a Kansas Preservation Alliance, 2011 Preservation Advocacy Award recipient for its dedication to the preservation of the historic Wichita Air Terminal and home of the Kansas Aviation Museum.

Over the past twenty years the Kansas Aviation Museum organization has invested nearly $5 million dollars toward preservation of this Wichita and Kansas architectural and aviation icon, the original Wichita Air Terminal. The terminal is one of only twelve such structures that remain in America, built during the first round of major air terminal construction in the late twenties and early thirties and in the tradition of art deco.

The Kansas Aviation Museum board, staff and volunteers have worked tirelessly to secure funding (primarily from private sources along with state and foundation grants) and conduct work on the structure that includes a complete exterior restoration along with restoration of many areas of the interior. Work is ongoing to complete mechanical upgrades and additional cosmetic renovations to the interior of the building.

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